(SRI R. M. PATIL)

(*d*) No. The diploma holders are not placed at any disadvantage as they are paid the scale pay of Rs. 50-5-100 when they are appointed as physicians in the District Board Dispensaries which benefit is denied to non-qualified doctors. Further, persons not possessing necessary qualifications are not entertained now, preference being given to only diploma holders.

Sri M. MALLIKARJUNASWAMY.—In answer to clause (*a*) it is stated that "there is no registration of Medical Practitioners in Ayurvedic and Unani system and all sorts of Pandits and Hakims are practising." Is it not advisable to see that registration is insisted on?

Sri R. M. PATIL.—Not only is registration desired to be insisted, but also a Bill is being prepared and it is already notified. My friend must be knowing that.

Sri V. SRINIVAS SHETTY.—Will it not be introducing a very dangerous principle to allow Hyderabad Hakims and Pandits to be employed by District Boards wherein the question of health of persons is concerned?

Sri R. M. PATIL.—It is an opinion.

Release of Waste Land to the Backward Class People in Belgaum District.

Q.—1710. Sri S. P. TALWALKAR (Raibag).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether the waste land is given for cultivation to Backward Class people according to Government Resolution and if so, the number of places in the District where such land is provided;

(*b*) whether the Collector is empowered to increase or reduce the extent of acres of such waste land granted by the Government;

(*c*) whether waste land is permitted to be turned into grazing land?

A.—Sri M. P. PATIL (Minister for Revenue).—

(*a*) Yes, in 86 villages in Belgaum district.

(*b*) If the Government waste land granted to an individual is less than the prescribed economic holding, the Collector can grant additional land upto the extent of making up the economic holding.

(*c*) Yes, in case the grazing area of the place is less than the prescribed standard area for grazing, waste lands can be assigned for grazing purposes.

[Sri S. P. TALWALKAR put his supplementary question in Marathi.

Sri M. P. PATIL answered in Marathi.]

Sri F. H. MOHSIN.—May I know which communities were included in Backward Communities? Was it according to the definition of the Backward Classes prevalent here or there?

Sri M. P. PATIL.—According to the definition of the Bombay Government and not of the old Mysore Government.

Lent Officer in the Department of Prisons.

Q.—1841. Sri G. VENKATAI GOWDA (Palaiyam).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether there is any lent officer in the Department of Prisons;

(*b*) the purpose for which the said officer was lent, and for what period;

(*c*) the amount spent on the said officer so far by way of pay, etc.?

A.—Sri VEERENDRA PATIL (Deputy Minister for Home Affairs and Industries).—

(*a*) Yes; one.

(*b*) In the interest of public service till the end of June 1958.

(*c*) The amount spent on this officer is his own pay he was drawing as Superintendent, Alipuram Jail-*cum*-Borstal School, Bellary.

Sri G. VENKATAI GOWDA.—May I know from which State that officer is lent?

*Sri VEERENDRA PATIL.—Madras.